

Page 5, line 9, delete "a" before "equal" and insert
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Page 12, line 2, delete "bags" and insert --tags--.

Page 12, line 4, delete "bags" and insert --tags--.

Page 12, line 6, delete "bags" and insert --tags--.

Page 12, line 8, delete "bags" and insert --tags--.

In the Claims:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Amended) An electronic identification tag
interrogation system comprising:

(a) at least one portal having transmitter means for
providing an RF signal and receiver means for responding to an RF
tag signal having identifying data encoded therein;

(b) at least one electronic identification tag having
supply means for providing electrical power to said tag, memory
means for storing identifying data associated with said tag, RF
receiver means powered by said supply means for processing an RF
signal, and RF transmitter means for transmitting identifying
data stored in said memory means in response to the receipt by
said RF receiver means of an RF signal having a request encoded
therein, said at least one electronic identification tag provided
with a discrete identification number; [and]